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Long weekend: MCC opens special counters to pay taxes

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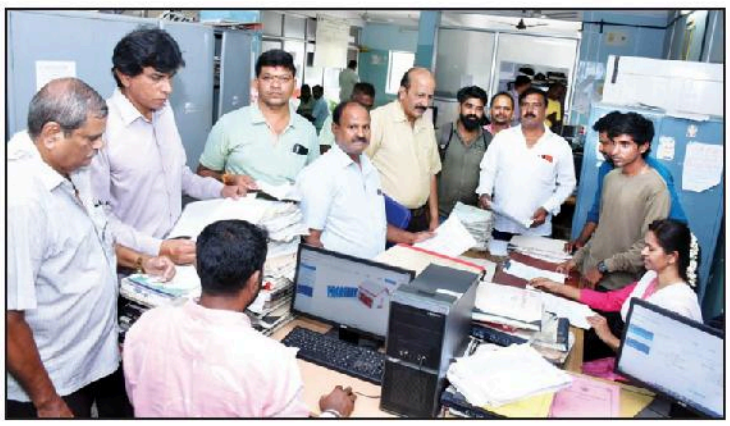

Citizens paying their taxes at the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Zonal Office-3 in Sharadadevinagar this morning.

Mysuru, Apr. 7 (RK&BCT)- The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has made special arrangements at all its nine Zonal Offices across the city, enabling the residents to pay Property Tax and Water Tax even during holidays. Today is Good Friday, a government holiday and tomorrow is second Saturday followed by a Sunday. This would result in a revenue loss for three days and there would be an extra rush of tax-payers on Monday at all cash counters.

Realising this, MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy held a meeting with bank officers yesterday and convinced them to open the cash counters at Zonal Offices to facilitate payment for two days — Apr. 7 and Apr. 8.

"More and more people will pay Property Tax this month as MCC annually declares a five percent rebate on taxes if paid in April. Yesterday (Apr.6) saw heavy rush at all the cash counters and it will be further crowded on Apr. 10 (Monday). As such, we decided to open special cash counters for two days despite holidays," Reddy told *Star of Mysore*.

(See TAXES on page 7)

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 7th April 2023

Navigating Autism: International webinar tomorrow

Bengaluru, Apr. 7- Incidence of Autism is increasing worldwide, and there is a great need for a better understanding of children with Autism. With a plethora of information available online regarding the same, parents often end up confused about what would be the best for their child.

Keeping this in mind and to mark its 20th anniversary, Samvaad Therapy Centres here will be hosting an international webinar titled "Navigating Autism" on Apr. 8 from 10 am to 5.30 pm on zoom portal.

For registration, interested may visit *www.samvaadinstitute.org*

For the webinar, Samvaad has brought together national and international experts from the field who will talk about all aspects ranging from strategies to improve communication, behaviour and nutrition of children with Autism. Speakers will also discuss importance of acceptance and healing for parents that will result in a more meaningful parenting experience, and a happier child.

Samvaad Centre was established in Bengaluru in 2002 by Radhika Poovayya, a Speech Language Pathologist and US Board Certified Behaviour Analyst. Samvaad provides Speech Therapy and Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA) Therapy for children with Autism and other speech disorders. Presently, Samvaad has three centres in Bengaluru and one in Cambodia. Radhika is an alumnus of All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Our life is an ever evolving journey of grace. However, there are points within this journey when we find ourselves questioning as to how we spend our sacred moments. Looking back, these moments stand out as turning points in our personal transformation, as if we were being coaxed to see so much more, yet at the time, as we faced despair, fear, anger or disappointment, we may not have realised the importance of these valuable life lessons.

Transformation is an intrinsic process that needs to be understood in the right perspective. The best example to understand this beautiful process would be of coal and diamonds.

The most amazing thing about a diamond is that it is derived from coal. Although the coal and the diamond are from the same source, coal is ugly and has little value but a diamond is stunning and priceless.

What a paradox, isn't it? Coal undergoes a lot of pressure and heat in order to become a diamond. There is a whole lot of coal in the world, but very few diamonds. Similarly, among people too, there are not many diamonds because most of them are like coal. It's a reality that needs to be accepted because to be a real diamond, one has to go through a lot of pressure and heat. That's why it is said that "Transformation is a natural process, but it can also be traumatic." Hence, if we wish to transform ourselves, we should be willing to take some heat and pressure under adverse conditions and have courage to swim against the tide.

When we become a diamond, our world will be a whole lot different than when we were a piece of coal. Now! it's our choice, whether to remain coal or be a precious diamond?

— Rajyogi Brahmakumar Nikunj in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man faces legal action for fathering over 550 kids

Amsterdam: A Dutch man who fathered more than 550 children has been accused of threatening the well-being of the children out of his sheer desire to reproduce in all corners of the world.

M. Jonathan, a 41-year-old serial sperm donor from the Netherlands, is being accused of prioritising his urge to constantly reproduce above the physical and mental well-being of his children. Dutch guidelines state that a man can only donate their sperm for up to 25 offspring or for 12 families, in order to minimise the chances of incest and to protect the mental health of the children. However, the mother of one of his many children and the Donorkind Foundation, an organisation for donor children, claim that he blatantly disregarded the rules and fathered hundreds of children over the last decade or so. They are now taking legal action to prevent him from fathering any more kids.

Infection leaves man with worms under his skin

Madrid: A Spanish sewer worker developed a roundworm infection so bad that doctors could see the larvae crawling right under his skin.

The New England Journal of Medicine recently published the case of a 64-year-old sewer treatment employee from Spain. He reported to the University Hospital in Madrid where doctors diagnosed him with a parasitic roundworm infection. In this particular case, it had become so serious that doctors could see the worms crawling under the man's skin.

People infected with roundworms can spend years without any symptoms, but in this case, the patient had undergone hormone therapy which suppressed his immune system. The hyperinfection got so bad that larvae could be seen crawling under the patient's skin, like in a horror movie.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Common symptoms of blood cancers are severe tiredness, unexplained fever, loss of appetite and loss of weight, bleeding, back pain and bone pains.

By Dr. Giripunja - Consultant – Haematology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Make a fashion statement this summer at Panache

Mysuru, Apr. 7- Calling all fashion enthusiasts in Mysuru this weekend to witness a versatile range of stunning designers under one roof only at Panache.

Nishat Mohsin and Misba Umrean, the organisers, seek to boost the event's status by bringing in exciting and fresh designers for the show to be held on Apr.8 and 9 between 11 am and 8.30 pm at Hotel Southern Star, Vinoba Road, Mysuru.

Because of its rich cultural heritage and timeless appeal, ethnic wear has become a fashion statement that can be worn at a variety of occasions.

Bidisha Bhaduri from Kolkata brings in rich fabrics meant to steal the show with her intricately embroidered and patterned kantha and batik sarees that are a premium.

Vivaan and Sai Innovations from Delhi combines traditional and contemporary elements, making it a versatile and fashionable option for women of all ages.

Aum Sai Vastra known for their Pakistani dresses and sarees with intricate designs, vibrant hues and luxurious fabrics in modern silhouettes and fusion designs. These dresses are made of high-quality fabrics such as silk, chiffon and georgette, which drape gracefully and lend a regal feel to the ensemble.

Jaheena's every piece is meticulously crafted with care to ensure a perfect fit and a comfortable feel.

Malak from Kerala specialises in cotton and Muslin silk clothing that is light and breathable, making it ideal for summer.

Creative Hub and Rahul's trendy tunics and pants are a one-of-a-kind blend of traditional and modern designs that blend seamlessly to create a refreshing and revitalising appearance.

In addition to these, Elegantz from Coimbatore, Simply Women, Mahi designs, KA fashion house, Home furnishings, Soni's, Tara by IHS, an NGO Panache supports, will also be present.

REALLY...?

- *Twins start interacting in the womb at 14 weeks.*
- *40% of twins invent their own languages.*
- *Identical twins can develop different diseases.*
- *Identical twins have different fingerprints.*
- *Twins can have completely different skin tone.*
- *Nigeria has the highest rate of multiple births and the most identical twins.*
- *Mothers of twins live longer.*
- *The small South American town of Cândido Godói may just be the twin capital of the world.*

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Tech Support: *Did you get a pop-up menu?* ***Customer:*** *No.*
Tech Support: *OK. Right-click again. Do you see a pop-up menu?* ***Customer:*** *No.*
Tech Support: *OK, Sir. Can you tell me what you have done up until this point?*
Customer: *Sure. You told me to write 'click' and I wrote 'click'!*

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NEWS BRIEFS

Nominated

Dr. Lekhana Pandit, an alumnus of JSS Ayurveda Medical College in city and a resident of Gundurao Nagar, has been nominated as a member of Karnataka Ayurvedic and Unani Practitioner's Board, Bengaluru. The Government has appointed her in consideration of her services in the field of Ayurveda Medicine.

Summer Camp

A summer Camp titled 'Summer Heaven,' organised by Prajapita Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya will be held at Jnana Prakash Bhavan on 2nd Main Road (behind Akashvani), Yadavagiri, from Apr. 11 to 13 from 10 am to 5 pm. The camp is for children aged between 10 and 15 years. Yoga, meditation, moral education, games and various competitions will be held. For details, contact Mob: 88922-57967 or 99002-64937, according to press release.

Story-telling

As part of 'Kathe Kelona Banni-770,' Kalasuruchi has organised story-telling by B.S. Krishna Murthy, Mathematics Motivational Technical Speaker, of 'Ganitha Kunitha' (Dance with Maths) at Suruchi Rangamane, #476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, in city on Apr. 8 between 4.30 pm and 5.30 pm. The topic of the story is 'Curious Numbers.' For details, contact Ph: 0821-2541795 or 92435-81097 or 99459-43115, according to press release.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	94.56 feet
Yesterday	:	94.94 feet
Inflow	:	289 cusecs
Outflow	:	3,117 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,257.45 feet
Inflow	:	129 cusecs
Outflow	:	1,000 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,822.02 feet
Inflow	:	59 cusecs
Outflow	:	100 cusecs

High profit for investment: Woman cheats couple of Rs. 10 lakh

Mysuru, Apr. 7- Udayagiri Police, following directions from a Court, have registered a case against a woman on charges of cheating a couple to the tune of Rs. 10 lakh after promising them high profit for their invested money.

While the couple, who were cheated have been identified as Mohammed Akramulla and his wife from Rajivnagar, the woman, who allegedly cheated them is B. Yashaswini, a resident of Gokulam.

In their complaint, the couple have stated that, Yashaswini, who came to know that they (couple) had sold their house, met them and told them that she was the owner of Public Welfare Education and Training Institute at Nazarbad.

Stating that many have been benefited by her company, Yashswini told them to invest with her by promising high profits for their investment and took Rs. 10 lakh from them on May 4, 2016.

The complaint further stated that Yashaswini had given 10 cheques of Rs. 25,000 each to be drawn from her Bank account every month. But due to insufficient funds in her Bank account, the cheques had bounced. Yashaswini later gave them another cheque which too bounced due to difference in signature.

The couple have stated in their complaint that they later came to know that Yashaswini did not own any company and she had come out on bail in cheating cases registered at City Crime Branch (CCB) and Nazarbad Police Station.

Udayagiri Police, who have registered a case, are investigating.

Cattle trader murder case

Five accused nabbed in Rajasthan

Ramanagar, Apr. 7 - Sathanur Police have nabbed five persons including right wing activist Puneeth Kerehalli, who has been accused in the murder of cattle trader Idris Pasha. The accused, who were arrested in Rajasthan on Wednesday, had gone absconding after the body of Idris was found among the bushes at a distance from Sathanur Police Station in the early hours of Saturday.

It may be recalled that Puneeth and others had intercepted a goods vehicle in front of Sathanur Police Station and had handed over 16 cattle heads which were being transported in the vehicle to the Police. Three persons, who were in the goods vehicle, had fled from the spot and one person was caught by Puneeth and his team, who handed him over to the Police.

Meanwhile, the goods vehicle driver, alleging that his vehicle was illegally detained, had lodged a complaint against Puneeth and his team members. But the body of Idris was found at a distance from the spot, where the goods vehicle was detained.

Alleging that Puneeth and his team members had killed Idris, his family members and relatives staged a protest in front of the Police Station following which the Police registered a murder case against Puneeth and others.

Special Police teams were formed to nab the accused and a team comprising Sathanur Police personnel, who had gone to Rajasthan, have nabbed the five accused on Wednesday.

Harassment of farmers during loan recovery

Sugarcane growers to stage protest on Apr. 11

Mysuru, Apr. 7 (SPN&TRR)- Karnataka State Sugarcane Growers Association President Kurubur Shanthakumar has said that the farmers will stage a protest on Apr. 11 in front of Karnataka Grameena Bank (KGB), Hampapura branch, against the increasing harassment by Bank officials while recovering loans availed by the cane growers.

He was speaking to press persons after holding a meeting with the office-bearers of the Association at a park opposite to JSS Mahavidyapeetha on Tuesday.

"KGB officials are harassing the farmers during loan recovery process. Unable to bear it, a farmer committed suicide six months back and a protest was held then seeking justice to the farmer. In spite of this, the Bank officials have continued to harass farmers. To condemn this, a protest will be held on Apr. 11 in front of Bank Premises," he said.

Though 2023 elections for the State Assembly is round the corner, no political party is showing interest for a separate manifesto for the farmers, he added.

On Mar. 29, an interaction programme was organised at Bengaluru Press Club with political parties to discuss about a manifesto for farmers. In that programme Congress, JD(S) and Aam Aadmi Party supported the demand for a Farmers Manifesto but nobody from the BJP participated in the programme," he regretted.

"To campaign for a Farmer Manifesto across the State, all farmers organisations including Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha, State Sugarcane Growers Association, Karnataka Nava Nirmana Sene, Kabini Raitha Hitarakshana Samiti, State Agricultural Pumpsets Consumers Association and others have announced their support. We seek experts' opinion in this and take a decision," Shanthakumar said.

Farmer leaders P. Somashekar, Attalli Devaraj, Baradanapura Nagaraj, Hallikerehundi Bhagyaraj, Kirsgasuru Shankar and others were present at the meeting.

Unidentified body found

Mysuru, Apr. 7- The Mysuru Railway Police have found a body of an unidentified man between Byadarahalli and Pandavapura Railway Stations and have registered a case.

The deceased is age about 65 years, 5 ft. tall, normal built, wheatish complexioned and has a cross tied around his neck.

The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Mysuru Railway Police Station on Ph: 0821-2516579.

Man goes missing

Mysuru, Apr. 7- A man, who left his house on Mar. 30 at about 8 pm saying that he was going to Kyathamaranahalli, has since gone missing.

The missing man is Ningaraju, a resident of Gandhinagar, according to the complaint lodged by his son Madesh with the Police. Those having any information about the missing person may contact the Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339, according to a press release.

Fire at District Court Judge's chamber

Mysuru, Apr. 7 - Fire has almost destroyed everything in the chamber of the Principal District and Sessions Court Judge in the early hours of Apr. 2.

Srikanta, a staff at the Court, working in the night shift observed smoke emanating from the Judge's chamber at about 7 am and alerted another staff Mallikarjuna besides informing the Fire Station.

Fire and Emergency Services personnel, who rushed to the Court complex, broke open the glass panes of the chamber's window, entered the chamber only to see almost everything in the chamber destroyed in fire.

Expressing doubts about the fire mishap, Srikanta has lodged a complaint and based on the complaint, Lakshmipuram Police, who have registered a case, are investigating.

House burgled

Mysuru, Apr. 7- Miscreants, who broke into a house, have decamped with gold jewellery.

The theft took place at the house of 56-year-old Jayamma, a resident of Nachanahallipalya in J.P. Nagar here.

On Apr. 3, Jayamma had gone to her father's house at Ashokapuram and when she returned on Apr. 5, she found the door lock broken and on inspecting the house she found two gold bangles weighing 20 grams, two pairs of earrings weighing five and four grams respectively, two pairs of maati weighing nine grams and two finger rings weighing nine grams stolen.

A case has been registered at Vidyaranyapuram Police Station.

102-year-old Javaramma passes away

Javaramma

H.D. Kote, Apr. 7- Javaramma (102), grandmother of Congress leader M. Girish and a resident of Shindenahalli in the taluk, passed away yesterday at the village. She leaves behind seven sons, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the family's farm land.

Obituary

Shivamma

Mysuru, Apr. 7- Shivamma (97), a resident of Yelwal village, passed away yesterday at the village. She leaves behind three sons, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the family's farm land in Yelwal this noon.

VOICE OF THE READER

Unmarked road humps

Sir,

There are about five numbers of 'unmarked' road humps on Adipampa road at different junctions. Though these humps are essentially required at these junctions to reduce the speed and thus minimise the number of accidents, unfortunately these humps are causing accidents!

When the concerned department is prompt in putting the road humps at the right locations, I fail to comprehend what prohibits these officials from painting these humps with the white paint. The concerned Senior Officials should strictly instruct their field staff to paint the humps immediately after the humps are constructed and save the motorists from getting involved in accidents, especially the two-wheelers.

—K. Chandrahas

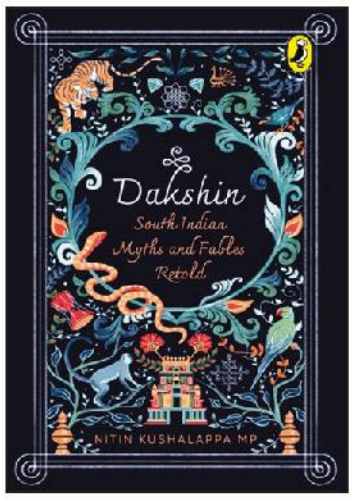
Mysuru 28.3.2023

Nitin Kushalappa's book

"Dakshin: South Indian Myths and Fables Retold" launched

Bengaluru, Apr. 7- Mookonda Nitin Kushalappa's English book "Dakshin: South Indian Myths and Fables Retold" was launched at Atta Galatta Bookstore auditorium in Bengaluru on April 2.

Nitin



The event was attended by *Maha Vir Chakra* awardee Lt. Col. Puttichanda S. Ganapathi, IRS Officer Preeth Ganapathy, retired Superintendent of Police Mookonda K. Ganapathy, Col. Maddanda Uthappa, Ponnakachira Machaiah, retired Assistant Commissioner of Customs Muckatira Suresh and others.

This book, which was earlier released on Amazon on Feb.13, 2023, is already a bestseller in various book categories. Atta Galatta is located in Indiranagar and has a cafeteria with an auditorium attached to its bookstore.

Presenting the slide show to the audience along with his wife Deepthi, Nitin spoke of the 15 stories in his collection, the regions and sources they came from, the illustrations and the rhymes that support the stories.

Lt. Col. P.S. Ganapathi, MVC, spoke of how he came to meet Nitin a few years ago and how they worked together on a previous book, 'The Major Who Kept His Cool' (Col. Ganapathi's biography authored by Nitin).

Sanjeev Rajarao spoke of how he reaches out to Nitin for any information on Kodagu and Kodavas and how Nitin connects the dots. Mrs. Leo, Nitin's school teacher, Preeth Ganapathy, IRS, Bayavanda Monnappa, COO of BHive, Mookonda K. Ganapathy and Vishwanath also spoke. Nitin's mother Mookonda Pushpa Poonacha spoke about the importance of folklore.

Talk on 'Art of Parenting'

Mysuru, Apr. 7- Nypunya School of Excellence, R.T. Nagar, had organised an programme on the topic 'Art of Parenting' by Dr. Gururaj Karajagi, Chairman of ACT (Academy for Creative Teaching), Bengaluru, at Mangalya Sangama Choultry in Dattagalli here yesterday.

Orienting the parents on different aspects of parenting, he also answered queries by parents as well as students and office staff.

Dr. Karajagi, an educationist, author and motivational speaker, heads many organisations and committees in Government of Karnataka.

School Vice-Principal Shobitha S. Aradhya, Dr. L. Savitha and Chetana from ACT, Raghu Kautilya, Chairman of Nypunya School, Kautilya, Secretary of Nypunya School, Dr. S. Shalini, Admin-Coordinator, were present.

Bags Sir C.V. Raman Young Scientist State Award

Mysuru, Apr. 7 (BCT)- Dr. Prasanna K. Santhekadur, Associate Professor, Department of Biochemistry, Centre of Excellence in Molecular Biology and Regenerative Medicine, JSS Medical College, JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research, has been conferred with the prestigious Sir C.V. Raman Young Scientist State Award for the year 2021. The award has been instituted by the Government of Karnataka and the Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology (KSCST).

With a view to recognising and rewarding scientific and technological talent in the State, the Department of Information Technology, Biotechnology and Science & Technology, has instituted several awards including Sir C.V. Raman Young Scientist State Award to scientists and engineers of the State who have made a significant contribution towards the development in various fields of Science and Technology. These awards are being given every year since 1996. Government of Karnataka has constituted a Selection Committee to select eligible Scientists and Engineers for these awards.

Sir C.V. Raman Award carries a cash prize of Rs. 1,00,000, a memento and a citation. This award is given to scientists, below the age of 50 years, who have made outstanding achievements in Life Sciences, Physical Sciences and Mathematics, Chemical Sciences, Agricultural Science and Animal Husbandry and Medical Sciences.

Dr. Prasanna Santhekadur got the award in the Medical Sciences category. He received the award recently at J.N. Tata Auditorium, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, from Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan, Minister for Higher Education, Electronics, IT, BT, and S&T, in the presence of *Bharat Ratna* Prof. C.N.R. Rao. Other dignitaries present at the function were A.S. Kiran Kumar, former Chairman of ISRO, Prof. Govindan Rangarajan, Director, IISc., and Dr. E.V. Ramana Reddy, Additional Chief Secretary.

Assembly polls: Essential services personnel can make use of postal ballot

Election Commission extends postal ballot facility to COVID-positive electors

Bengaluru, Apr. 7 (Agencies)- The Election Commission of India (ECI) has allowed persons deployed in essential services and media to cast their votes through postal ballots in the forthcoming Assembly elections.

Personnel employed in Information and Public Relation Department, Health and Family Welfare including emergency and ambulance services, Postal and Traffic Departments, Railway, Electricity, Civil Aviation Departments, Metro Rail Corporation, Doordarshan, All India Radio and Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited are eligible to exercise their franchise using postal ballots as 'Absentee Voter.'

Officials and employees who are involved in providing essential services are advised to submit their details, including voter ID number, Assembly Constituency, and district details through the 12D Form, to avail the facility of postal ballot voting. According to an advisory issued in this regard by the District Postal Ballot Voting Nodal Officer, the details should be furnished to his office at the earliest.

COVID-Appropriate Behaviour

The ECI has also extended the option of postal ballot facility to electors who are COVID-19 positive/or suspected to have been infected.

Reissuing the October 2022 COVID-19 guidelines, the ECI has said COVID-19 patients and all others who may be under isolation/quarantine will be allowed to cast their vote at the last hour of the polling day at their respective polling stations, under the supervision of health authorities. They should do so by strictly following COVID-19 preventive measures, the guidelines stated. Manoj Kumar Meena, Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) for Karnataka, said the Election Commission's COVID-19 guidelines will be enforced.

During outdoor/indoor meetings, rallies, roadshows, and padayatras, processions, the organisers and political parties concerned should ensure the COVID-19 norms are followed. Organisers will be responsible for any breach of the COVID-related protocols and guidelines.

The ECI has said all eligible polling personnel/security personnel and counting staff should be fully vaccinated, preferably with a booster dose.

Help desks should be set up at polling stations for distribution of tokens to the voters on a first-come, first-serve basis so that they do not wait in the queue.

There should also be markers to demonstrate social distancing for the queue. Awareness posters on COVD-19 should be displayed at visible locations, the guidelines specified.

Final preparations for PM Modi's two-day city visit tomorrow

SPG along with City Police conduct trial run of convoy, helicopter landing, inspect routes

A helicopter about to land at the temporary helipad readied at the Oval Grounds opposite Crawford Hall this morning during a trial run of the chopper which will carry the VVIP tomorrow.

Mysuru, Apr.7 (RK,GA&BS)- With just one day left until the arrival of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the city for a two-day visit beginning Apr. 8 (tomorrow), the District Administration and City Police have completed the final preparations, ensuring compliance with all the measures required by the Special Protection Group (SPG), which is responsible for the Prime Minister's security.

The SPG personnel, who have been camping in the city for some time to prepare for the Prime Minister's hassle-free visit, conducted several inspections this morning at various locations including Mysuru Airport at Mandakalli, KSOU Convocation Hall at Muktagangothri on Hunsur Road, Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel on M.G. Road and the routes where the PM's cavalcade will pass through in the city.

The armed guards of the SPG will take control of the security arrangements at Mysuru Airport on the morning of Apr. 8, more than 10 hours before the scheduled arrival of the special flight carrying the Prime Minister and his entourage at 8.40 pm.

The KSOU campus, where the Prime Minister will participate in the inaugural session of the 'Commemoration of 50 years of Project Tiger' at 11 am on Apr. 9, will also be taken under the control of SPG at any time.

Official sources have indicated that, except for the Government-owned *Doordarshan*, no other media personnel will be allowed to cover the Prime Minister's programme at KSOU on the scheduled day.

A trial run was conducted under the joint supervision of SPG personnel, Police and Revenue officials to test the landing and take-off of the Indian Air Force (IAF) helicopter at the temporary helipad at Oval Grounds (opposite Crawford Hall, the administrative building of the University of Mysore).

Meanwhile, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) is making efforts to spruce up the roads in the city where the Prime Minister's convoy will pass. This includes cleaning both sides of the road from Oval Grounds to the KSOU campus and pruning any branches of trees that extend over the road. In addition, a thorough inspection of the streetlights is being conducted and any necessary repairs or restorations are being carried out.

City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth has stated that all necessary security measures have been taken in compliance with the SPG's directions.

In addition, rehearsals for the convoy movement and inspections of the routes have been conducted. The Bomb Detection and Disposal Squad, equipped with hand-held metal detectors and sniffer dogs, also conducted an inspection at Oval Grounds this morning.

The inspection was attended by several officers, including DCP (Law and Order) M. Muthuraj, DCP (Crime and Traffic) S. Jahnavi and ACP (Traffic) Hanumantharayappa.

Measures in place at Bandipur, Mudumalai too

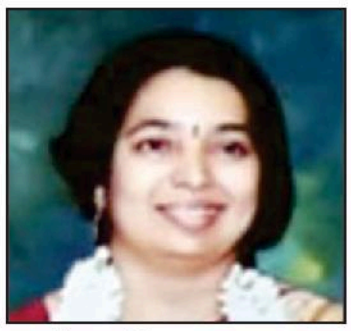
In addition to the security measures being taken in Mysuru, the Chamarajanagar District Police have also taken up various security measures in coordination with their counterparts in Mysuru, as Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be visiting Bandipur National Park in Gundlupet taluk on Apr. 9.

The Prime Minister will travel to Bandipur in a helicopter from Oval Grounds on Apr. 9 at 6.30 am. Upon arrival at Bandipur, the PM will embark on a two-hour-long safari beginning at 7.15 am.

After the safari, the PM will proceed to Mudumalai Tiger Reserve in Tamil Nadu to felicitate Bellie and Bomman, the caretakers of elephants featured in the Oscar-winning documentary 'The Elephant Whisperers'.

Former MP late R. Dhruvanarayan's wife Veena passes away

Last rites at Heggavadi tomorrow



Veena Dhruvanarayan

Mysuru, Apr. 7 (MTY&DM)- Less than a month after KPCC Working President and former Chamarajanagar MP R. Dhruvanarayan passed away, another tragedy struck his family this morning as his wife Veena Dhruvanarayan passed away in the early hours of today at a Private Hospital in the city due to brain tumor.

Veena (54), who was ailing for the past 10 years, was bedridden most of the times since then. Her trauma turned for the worse when she lost her husband Dhruvanarayan just 28 days ago (he passed away on Mar.11 due to cardiac arrest).

Veena, a resident of Vijayanagar Third Stage in the city, leaves behind two sons — Darshan, who is contesting from Nanjangud (SC) Constituency on a Congress ticket in the Assembly polls scheduled on May 10 and Dheeran — and a host of relatives and friends.

It is said, Veena was undergoing regular check-ups at Clear-Medi Radiant Hospital in the city. As her condition deteriorated, she was admitted to the hospital recently, where she breathed her last early this morning.

Her body was brought to her residence at Vijayanagar and kept there for a few hours to enable the public to pay their last respects. Her mortal remains will be taken to Heggavadi village in Chamarajanagar taluk this evening, where her last rites will be conducted next to her husband Dhruvanarayan's place of burial at their farm land tomorrow noon (Apr. 8), it is learnt.

Scores of political leaders from across all political parties and members of public arrived at Veena's residence to pay their last respects to the departed soul.

Vehicular movement, flying of drones banned in Bandipur

Chamarajanagar, Apr. 7 (BS)- As a precautionary measure in view of PM Modi's visit to Bandipur National Park on Apr. 9, the movement of heavy motor vehicles (HMV) on National Highways-181 (connecting Tamil Nadu) and 766 (connecting Ooty) passing through the forest area, has been prohibited from this evening 4 to 12 noon of Apr. 9.

Barring Government buses and vehicles, the movement of all other types of vehicles have been prohibited from 4 pm of Apr.8 to 12 noon of Apr. 9, in Bandipur, according to the order issued by Chamarajanagar Deputy Commissioner D.S. Ramesh.

"To take up works on management of roads and other preliminary arrangements and security measures in connection with the PM's visit, the said orders have been issued," he stated.

Besides, all types of drones are also prohibited from flying at Bandipur till Apr. 9, he added.

'Give clarity on permissible liquor quantity during transit'

Election Commission directs State Excise Commissioner following a petition

Mysuru, Apr. 7 (PM&BCT)- The Office of the Joint Chief Election Commissioner of Karnataka has directed the Excise Department to issue a press release on the exact quantity of liquor that can be carried by the public in the wake of the imposition of the election Model Code of Conduct.

The Election Commission has directed the Excise Commissioner to issue a press release on the quantity of liquor that can be carried by the public as mentioned in the rules and regulations of the Department and implemented while the poll conduct is in force.

The directive comes in the wake of an e-mail to the Election Commission by Mysore City Pensioners Association President K.C. Biddappa, who has mentioned about the harassment meted out at the check-posts.

"Police personnel at check-posts insist that the owner of the vehicle in which the liquor is being carried should produce a bill for the liquor bottles. Many of us carry old stock of liquor and it is practically impossible to retain the bills. Moreover, when we buy liquor in duty-free shops while returning from abroad, we will not be carrying bills for the purchase," the e-mail stated.

"We would like to request you to instruct all Police personnel at check-posts not to insist on bills as proof and allow the people to carry liquor bottles as long as it is within the permissible quantity. This is more relevant when tourists travel to neighbouring States to visit places like Ooty and Wayanad on a holiday with their families," the e-mail stated.

Responding to Biddappa's appeal, the Office of the Joint Chief Election Commissioner has asked the Excise Commissioner to make public the rules and regulations that are applicable in this regard.

MUDA clears jungle for KSCA Cricket Stadium

Environment activists say many fully grown trees axed; MUDA denies charge

The land allotted for the International Cricket Stadium being cleared and demarcated by MUDA. Photo right shows an almost dry water body inside the area.

Mysuru, Apr. 7 (RK&BCT)- The Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) has begun the work of 'jungle clearance' at the 20-acre and 20-gunta land in Hanchya-Sathagalli that has been earmarked to be handed over to the Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) to construct a state-of-the-art International Cricket Stadium.

However, the 'jungle clearance' work has not gone down well with environment activists who have alleged that many fully grown trees have been uprooted with the help of earth-movers. A group of green activists visited the land yesterday following complaints from the residents that many trees are being axed. MUDA has denied this charge.

The exact location of the land for the Stadium is at Hanchya-Sathagalli Layout 'B Zone' to the south of Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU) Regional Centre on the Outer Ring Road that is bound by roads on all sides. The land is between Deve Gowda Circle and KSRTC Sathagalli Bus Depot. MUDA will hand over the land to KSCA on a 30-year lease at a price of Rs. 2,100 per square metre, totalling an amount of Rs. 18 crore. The land comes under Survey Nos. 84, 85, 88, 104, 105, 107, 109 and 106.

Boundaries to be demarcated

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, MUDA Commissioner G.T. Dinesh Kumar said that the area that is full of shrubs and bushes is being cleaned and a tender has been floated for Rs. 12 lakh for the purpose before the enforcement of the election Model Code of Conduct. "MUDA has approved the land transfer. We call it 'jungle clearance' where shrubs and bushes are cleared, boundaries are demarcated and fences are laid," he said.

"It is a huge area and even after handing over 20-acre and 20-gunta land to KSCA, MUDA will own other land that will be cleaned and fenced to prevent encroachment. Recently, MUDA Chairman Yashaswi Somashekar and a team of officers visited the spot and decided to call tender to clear the bushes. Works have started a fortnight back and 80 percent of the clearance has been completed. Fixing of boundaries, bifurcation of borders as per land use pattern and fencing will also be completed," Dinesh Kumar said.

'Only bushes cleared'

The MUDA Commissioner, however, denied the charge that big trees are being cleared with the help of earth-movers. Last week, Superintending Engineer Channakeshava visited the spot and is personally supervising the clearing operation.

"We have not chopped big trees. We have levelled the land at many places wherever there are undulations. Once the work is complete, approach roads will be created after fencing and bordering," the Commissioner added.

"On Survey No. 106, there is a government water body and the Revenue Department has to clear the land allotment and the proposal is with the State Government. The entire process will take three to four months and the new Government has to take a call on the land transfer. Once the rates are fixed, the KSCA has to pay money for the 30-year lease and later MUDA will give Khata and an agreement will be entered into. Allotment letter has to be handed over to the KSCA," he added.

MCC opens special counters to pay taxes

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Only cash payment service is available at all the MCC Zonal Offices with no other service and the facility will be closed on Sunday (Apr. 9). Skeletal staff have been appointed to receive cash, he said. Facilities have been made to remit cash and accordingly, the servers have been enabled to receive cash and print receipts, the Commissioner said adding that this facility apart, the tax-payers can also make use of online payment facility to pay their taxes.

Following the opening of cash counters, people were seen rushing to pay their taxes this morning and not to wait till the holidays are over. Drinking water and toilet facilities have been made at the MCC Zonal Offices for public convenience.

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Ramothsava Sangeethotsava: Day 7

Aishwarya Vidhya Raghunath presents vocal concert

Vidu. Aishwarya Vidhya Raghunath presenting a vocal concert at 'Sangeethotsava - 2023,' a series of concerts organised as part of 133rd anniversary of Sri Ramothsava celebrations by Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust at Alamma's Choultry in Srirampet on Apr. 5. She is accompanied by Vidu. Nalina Mohan on violin, Vid. B.S. Prashanth on mridanga, Vid. Sharath Kaushik on ghata and Medha Bhat on tambura.

By Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan

Vidu. Aishwarya Vidhya Raghunath performed for Ramabhyudaya Sabha at Alamma's Choultry on the seventh day of the music series on Apr. 5. She was accompanied on the violin by **Vidu. Nalina Mohan**, on mridanga by **Vid. B.S. Prashanth**, on ghata by **Vid. Sharath Kaushik** and on tambura shruti by **Medha Bhat.**

An accomplished young vocalist of today, Aishwarya's style is marked with classicism and spontaneity. Her mellifluous voice and clarity in singing have always captivated the audience.

A brisk, cheerful 'Inta jalamu jesite ' varna in Begade was the opener. Nata (Jaya Jaya Janakee kanta' by Sri Purandaradasa) capitalised on that perky start with just a dollap of alapana and in an engaging pace with the natural aid of the khanda chapu structure. 'Seethapathe Naa Manasu' and 'Enta ne varnintunu shabari bhagya' by Tyagaraja showed aesthetic moves in sangatis.

'Makelara vicharamu' by Tyagaraja in Ravichandrike was a good choice to fill the sequence before starting the main raga of the evening - Thodi.

Aishwarya focused on 'ragarasa' in the alapana of Thodi, fully employing the brigas and gamakas, enjoying each phrase in all the sthayis. Her voice has range and she moved with ease without restraint in the top pitch.

Creativity by Nalina Mohan too allowed the raga to flourish. Niraval at the anupallavi part 'Addadampuche kilaje' had emphasis on raga bhava with racy verve in the second speed.

Prashanth's accompaniment was by and large conducive to the overall mood. Young Sharath received appreciation for his playing both by his co-artistes and by the audience.

In the post-tani part Aishwarya sang an excellent shloka on Rama describing Him in navarasas, in ragamalike with ragas - Devagandhari, Dhanyasi, Purvikalyani, Bilahari, Sindhubhairavi and Neelambari, which later led to 'Ramachandra Raghunandana Dasharathe Karuna Payonidhe' in Neelambari.

'Saapashya Kausalya Vishnu Saapashya' in Jonpuri and a nottuswara in Shankarabharanam by Muthuswamy Deekshitar on Rama were the final items of the evening before the concluding 'Ramachandraya vinuta' mangalam.

Hindustani flute recital

Pt. Sameer Rao presenting a Hindustani flute recital at Ganavisharadha Shri Bidaram Krishnappa's Sri Prasanna Seetharama Mandira in Devaraja Mohalla yesterday as part of the ongoing 107th Ramanavami Annual Heritage Music Festival. He is accompanied by Pt. Adarsh Shenoy on tabla.

Science Sanje at Suruchi Rangamane on Saturday

Dr. S. Seetha

Mysuru, Apr. 7- Kalasuruchi and Kutuhali have jointly organised Science Sanje at Suruchi Rangamane on Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru, tomorrow (Apr. 8) between 6.30 pm and 7.30 pm.

Dr. S. Seetha, Emeritus Scientist (Honorary Member), Raman Research Institute, Bengaluru, will speak on the topic 'The Unseen Universe in UVs and X rays.'

Profile: Dr. S. Seetha superannuated as Outstanding Scientist from the U.R. Rao Satellite Centre, in January 2019 after serving in ISRO for nearly 39 years. She was earlier Director at the Space Science Programme Office at ISRO HQ and was therefore responsible to ensure co-ordination of all space science activities of ISRO.

She is also the Principal Investigator of the AstroSat, the first dedicated space astronomy mission. Her areas of research is in the field of astronomy, particularly the study of variable stars in x-ray and optical bands. She has contributed extensively to the development of space science instrumentation for Indian satellite missions.

She has over 80 publications in refereed journals and has guided 5 students for their Ph.D. She has received several awards, the notable being The C.V. Raman Young Scientist award in Physical Sciences for the year 2003; The Best Woman Scientist Award for the year 2012 from the Astronautical Society of India; Member of Team excellence award of ISRO for 'AstroSat Mission' 2015; Distinguished Alumni award from the Old Students Association of Hindu College, Delhi, 2017.

Bharatanatyam Rangapravesha of Varsha Raghunathan tomorrow

Mysuru, Apr. 7- Nadavidyalaya Academy of Music and Dance, Hebbal, Mysuru, has organised Bharatanatyam Rangapravesha of Varsha Raghunathan, disciple of Vidu. Mithra Naveen, at RamaGovinda Rangamandira in Ramakrishnanagar here tomorrow (April 8) at 5.30 pm.

She will be accompanied by Vidu. Mithra Naveen on natuvanga, Vid. Naveen M.S. Andagar on vocal, Vid. Nithish Ammannaya on flute, Vid. G.S. Nagraj on mridanga and Dr. Bhuvaneshwari on Master Compere.

Dr. Sheela Shridhar, retired Professor, Department of Dance, University of Mysore, Vid. Mysore S. Rajalakshmi, All India Radio (AIR) Staff artiste,

Varsha Raghunathan

Mysuru, Dr. T.S. Prasanna Venkatesh, Chief Physician, Sriranga Ayurveda Chikitsa Mandira, Dattagalli, Mysuru, will be the guests of honor. Guru Vidushi Mithra Naveen will be felicitated in 'Guru Vandanam'

Profile

Varsha Raghunathan is the daughter of Subhashree Raghunathan and Raghunathan. Accademically, she is pursuing Bachelor of Ayurvedic Medicine and Surgery (BAMS) at The Amrita School of Ayurveda, Kollam, Kerala. Along with that, she is continuing her artistic journey of Bharatanatyam in senior grade of KSEEB and has given numerous programmes showcasing her high enthusiastic and captivating performance under the guidance of her Guru Vidu. Mithra Naveen.

MGP monthly meeting on Sunday

To discuss citizens' sacred duty during election

Mysuru, Apr. 7- During its April monthly meeting, the Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) will be discussing the citizen's sacred duty of voting responsibly during the forthcoming election.

The meeting will be held at MGP Office, 6/1, Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, on Sunday (April 9) at 4 pm.

Sampath Kumar, Sector Officer, Umesh, Revenue Officer, Suresh and Ganesh, Booth Level Officers will take part in the discussion as part of promoting Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP), according to a press release from S. Shobana, Working President, MGP.

Master health check-up for journos, family members

Mysuru, Apr. 7- Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA) has organised a free health check-up camp (Master health check-up) for journalists and their family members at Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research on KRS Road in city tomorrow (Apr. 8) between 8 am and 12.30 pm.

At the camp, BP, Sugar, Blood Tests, ECG, ECHO and necessary Treadmill Test (TMT) will be done under the guidance of Cardiologist Dr. K.S. Sadananda, according to a press release from MDJA General Secretary M. Subramanya.

For details, contact Mob: 99005-57388 or Ph: 0821-2447400.

Making space for candidates to file nomination papers

Mysuru, Apr. 7 (RK&BCT)- The process to set up offices (of the Returning Officer) to receive election nomination papers has begun in all the 11 Assembly segments under the jurisdiction of Mysuru District. The process includes reserving spacious rooms with markings and direction indicators, fixing of poll-related banners and others.

Officers are determining the requirements before setting up an office to receive election nomination papers. Guidelines of the Election Commission and specific requirements and guidelines are being followed including necessary equipment and supplies like desks, chairs, filing cabinets, computers, printers and paper.

Apart from readying the office space and furniture, staff are being appointed to manage the office and assist candidates on the process. The staff are being trained on the election process, requirements and guidelines so that they can effectively assist potential candidates with filing their nomination papers.

Process is on to establish rooms to receive the nomination papers, scrutiny and withdrawal, publishing the list of final candidates in the fray.

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Chamundeshwari	Mysuru Taluk Office	0821-2414811
Krishnaraja	Mysuru City Corporation Ground Floor Room No. 20	0821-2427201
Chamaraja	Mysuru City Corporation Old Council Hall First Floor	0821-2427202
Narasimharaja	Office of Assistant Director of Sports, Chamundi Vihar Stadium, First Floor	0821-2427403
Varuna	Nanjangud Taluk Panchayat Office	08221-226253
T. Narasipur	T. Narasipur Taluk Office	08227-260210

Will contest from Govindarajanagar segment only: V. Somanna

V. Somanna

Bengaluru, Apr. 7- Amidst speculations that the BJP High Command may field him from Varuna Assembly segment in Mysuru district to take on Opposition Leader and former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, Housing Minister V. Somanna maintained that he will contest only from Govindarajanagar segment in Bengaluru city, which he currently represents.

Addressing a BJP election rally at Govindarajanagar here yesterday, Somanna said that his political life is like an open book. Noting that he has been in politics for over four decades, he said that Govindarajanagar has given him political strength and as such he would contest from this Constituency again in the May 10 Assembly polls.

Asserting that he came to the help of the people during COVID and other distressful times, he wondered what the Congress had done for the Constituency all these years.

Include your name in voter list before Apr. 11

Mysuru, Apr. 7 (BCT)- The Mysuru District Administration has set Apr. 11 as the deadline for additions and corrections to the electoral list.

This means citizens have just five days to ensure their names are added to the final list. Officials s aid they need 10 days to process the applications and finalise the electoral rolls. Karnataka goes to polls on May 10.

Eligible voters whose names are missing in the electoral list will be issued Form-6 and the last date for submitting Form-6 is Apr. 11. Applications received after Apr.11 will be considered only after the polls.

Right now, officials are processing applications such as Form 6 (for new voters) and Form 8 — for shifting of residence, correction of entries in existing electoral rolls or replacement of EPIC (Electoral Photo Identity Card). These requests can be submitted on NSVP, an online portal, voter helpline, a mobile application or in person to the Block Electoral Officer.

Considering the low voter turnout in the last Assembly polls, the officials said they are now focusing on creating awareness among voters by visiting different areas of the city.

Veteran Congress leader A.K. Antony's son joins BJP

Union Minister Piyush Goyal (right) greeting Anil Antony with a bouquet after the latter joined the BJP yesterday.

New Delhi, Apr. 7- In a setback to the Congress, Anil Antony, son of veteran Congress National leader and former Kerala Chief Minister A.K. Antony, joined the BJP in the National Capital yesterday.

Anil Antony joined the saffron party at the BJP Central Office here in the presence of Union Ministers Piyush Goyal and V. Muralidharan.

Anil Antony had quit the Congress after the controversy over BBC documentary on Prime Minister Narendra Modi showing him in poor light concerning the 2002 Gujarat riots when he (Modi) was the Chief Minister, erupted in January this year.

Speaking after joining the BJP, Anil Antony said that Modi has made India the centre of attraction of the entire world. The PM has a clear and far-sighted vision for the growth and development of the country, he added.

Counting of votes to take place at Maharani's Commerce and Management College on May 13

Mysuru, Apr. 7 (RK&DM)- The counting of votes for all the 11 Assembly segments of Mysuru district will take place at the Government Maharani's Commerce and Management College for women located on Valmiki Road at Vinayakanagar (Paduvarahalli) in city on May 13. The State will go to the polls on May 10.

The district administration has set up 11 strong rooms, one each for every Assembly segment in the college. All the windows of the strong room have been securely covered with Plywood sheets and CCTV cameras have been installed at all key points in the College premises as a safety and surveillance measure.

Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, who is also the District Electoral Officer, who inspected the strong rooms recently, gave some directions to the officials on the arrangements to be made for smooth counting of votes on May 13. The rooms in which EVM and VVPAT machines will be kept after the May 10 voting, have been numbered and all security measures are in place at the venue. Every Counting Hall will have 14 tables and the counting of votes recorded in all EVMs will be held in the presence of agents of candidates.

In the 2018 Assembly polls, the counting of votes was taken up at Maharani's College of Commerce and Management for Women and at NIE-IT Engineering College at Koorgalli in the city outskirts. While the counting of votes for KR, NR, H.D. Kote, Nanjangud, T. Narasipur, Hunsur and Chamundeshwari Assembly segments was held at Maharani's Commerce College, the counting of K.R. Nagar, Periyapatna, Varuna and Chamaraja Assembly segments was taken up at NIE-IT Engineering College, Koorgalli.

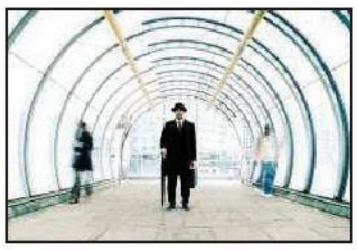
The then Mysuru DC Abhiram G. Sankar was the District Electoral Officer then.

But this time, the counting of all the 11 Assembly segments of the district will be taken up at Maharani's Commerce and Management College on Valmiki Road in city on May 13.

The results will be declared after the counting process end.

WORD OF THE DAY

Shenanigans



Pronunciation: shuh-NAN-ih-gunz.
Meaning: Shenanigans is an informal word used to refer to mischievous or bold activity or behavior, or to dishonest or questionable practices or conduct. Its oldest meaning, and the one most likely to be encountered as the singular shenanigan, is "a devious trick used especially for an underhanded purpose."
Origin: Fool us once, shame on you; fool us twice, shame on us. Either way, we call it shenanigans, employing a word whose history is as tricky and mischievous as its meaning. Etymologists have some theories about its origins, but no one has been able to prove any of them. All we can say for certain is that the earliest known uses of the word in print appeared in the mid-1800s. Although the "underhanded trick" sense of the word is oldest, the most common senses in use now are "dishonest or questionable practices" (as in "political shenanigans") and "mischievous high-spirited behavior" (as in "youthful shenanigans").
Example: "If ever there was one person who was the master of pulling off April Fools' Day gimmicks, it was my mother. Yearly, I could count on her fooling me particularly when I was in grade school. She would disguise food in my lunch box. I thought I was getting something special, but when I removed the wrapping, I would find she had cleverly packaged a Band-Aid to make me think what she was giving me was something scrumptious and tasty. Did some of her shenanigans rub off on me?" — Paul J. Volkmann

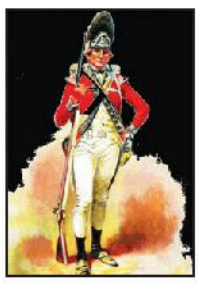
THE ODD WORD

Saponaceous

Soapy; soaplike.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Son of a gun



Meaning: The phrase 'Son of a gun' is used to describe a despicable or worthless person, usually male. The term can also be used as an exclamation that indicates surprise. It is sometimes used to compliment or encourage.
Origin: The phrase 'Son of a gun' originated in the British Royal Navy during the 1800s, when Naval officers were allowed to have their wives accompany them to sea, and babies born aboard ship were delivered in the spaces between the broadside guns. The term applied to boys born at sea and was slightly contemptuous.
Example: "That son of a gun tried to steal my car from my driveway!"

QUOTE BOX

All you need for happiness is a good gun, a good horse, and a good wife.
—Daniel Boone

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

THE SAND

Answer: Head in the sand.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 From (2,2)
5 Washing substance
9 Local Area Network, abbr.
12 Knit alternative
13 Free from limitations
15 Prefix for ever present
16 Angrily, being warm?
17 Portal
19 Ex-Tennis champ Arthur ___
20 A man who serves as a sailor
21 Beer glasses
23 Bitter drug
26 Jeer or deride
27 Have _ ___ at : essay or attempt? (1,2)
28 Sell
29 Milk producer
30 Industrious insects and hill-dwellers
31 In short, it means this that and others
32 A male offspring
33 The Gem State of United States of America
34 Strongboxes
36 __ Mahal : wonder at Agra?
37 South Africa's Hashim ____
38 Undulating
42 Popular sitcom ____ Nine-Nine
44 Cost of leasing a house or flat
45 Seeing eye to eye
46 Internal as a prefix?
47 Nickname used for the late Mr. Bevan
48 WWI German admiral
49 Sunny or Esha of Bollywood

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

P	I	G	■	H	E	R	A	■	G	I	F	T
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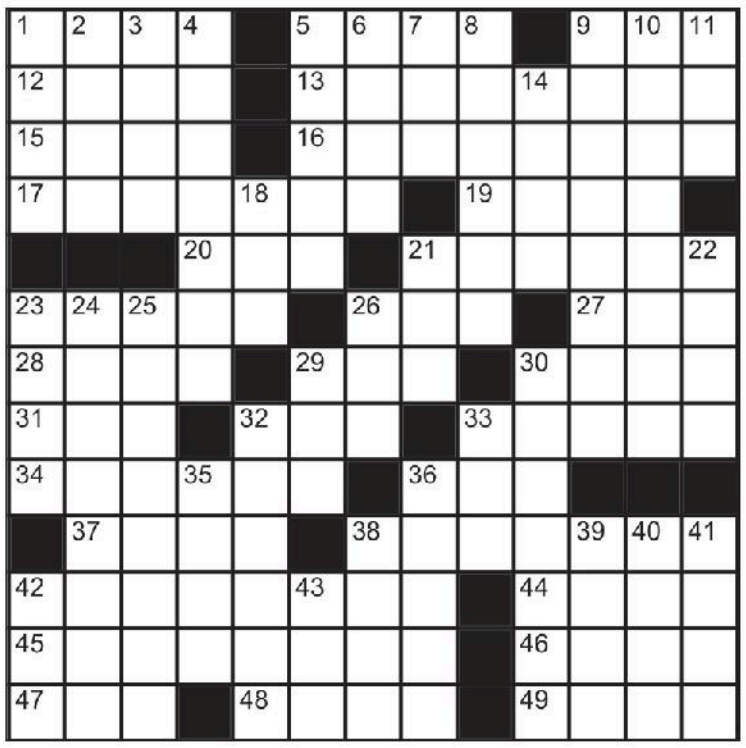
DOWN
1 As similar as two peas in _ ___? (1,3)
2 Japanese style of wrestling
3 Yes __ __ : please give the answer? (2,2)
4 Played the coquette
5 Mumbai's (Bombay's) International Airport or its site
6 Follow the orders
7 Comparative words (2,1)
8 Spud
9 Industrially developed city in Punjab
10 Eventually; after considerable time? (2,6)
11 Famous French marshal
14 ___ majesty : treason toward the king or country?
18 Past tense of verb "is"
21 Female pig
22 Not too good & not too bad (2,2)
23 French preposition
24 Sluggish inactivity
25 "Encore"! (4,4)
26 Good for Guillaume
29 Greek island lettuce
30 Entreated earnestly
32 Bets
33 ___ Botham : famous English all-rounder?
35 A plum-like fruit
36 A touch of colour
38 Auld Lang ___ : days of long ago ?
39 Prefix for wine
40 Loosen
41 Short Take-Off and Landing
42 Prohibit or disallow
43 Curl one's ___ : show or express scorn?



SUDOKU

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	1					7	6	
1	3		7	8				
			9					
4	6	9	2					3

Answer to previous puzzle

3	7	1	9	2	8	5	4	6
5	9	6	1	7	4	3	2	8
4	8	2	6	3	5	1	9	7
6	2	8	5	4	3	9	7	1
9	5	7	8	1	2	6	3	4
1	4	3	7	9	6	2	8	5
2	3	5	4	8	1	7	6	9
7	1	4	2	6	9	8	5	3
8	6	9	3	5	7	4	1	2

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

MBY BYXIO OB GADGNO JGOOGH BW DGBDKG. QO

GZNBYHTXGU MBY OB JG T JGOOGH DGHUBZ MBYHUGKW.

TODAY'S CLUE: D EQUALS P

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: There is no greater agony than bearing an untold story inside you.

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- **Rajkamal Theatre** — Ph: 2423554
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- **Woodlands Theatre** — Ph: 2422871
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- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — Ph: 2452958
  Veeram (K) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — Ph: 2520494
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Praveena (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	(S-1)	1.05 pm
	(S-4)	10.50 am, 7.40 pm, 10.15 pm
Dasara (Te)	(S-1)	3.45 pm
Ravanasura (Te)	(S-1)	6.55 pm, 9.45 pm
Super Mario Bros Movie (E)	(S-2)	11 am, 1.05 pm, 3.10 pm
The Pope's Exorcist (E)	(S-2)	5.10 pm, 7.30 pm, 9.45 pm
Ramachari 2.0 (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am
August 16 1947 (Ta)	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Pentagon (K)	(S-3)	4.20 pm
Gumraah (H)	(S-3)	7.30 pm, 10.10 pm
Veeram (K)	(S-4)	1.30 pm, 4.35 pm

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Veeram (K)	:	10.20 am, 1.35 pm, 7.30 pm
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	:	10.30 am, 4.00 pm, 6.40 pm
Praveena (K)	:	10.30 am
Ravanasura (Te)	:	10.45 am, 4.30 pm, 9.15 pm
Pentagon (K)	:	1.05 pm, 4.30 pm
Viduthalai Part - 1 (Ta)	:	1.10 pm, 9.15 pm
Ramachari 2.0 (K)	:	4.00 pm
August 16, 1947 (Ta)	:	6.30 pm
Laika (Ma)	:	9.15 pm

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Dasara (Te)	:	9.35 am, 4.10 pm, 10.30 pm
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Praveena (K)	:	11.00 am
Super Mario Bros. Movie (E-3D)	:	11.05 am, 1.20 pm, 3.35 pm 5.50 pm, 8.05 pm
John Wick: Chapter 4 (E)	:	12.50 pm, 10.20 pm
Meter (Te)	:	12.55 pm, 6.40 pm
Ravanasura (Te)	:	1.05 pm, 7.25 pm, 10.15 pm
The Pope's Exorcist (E)	:	1.50 pm, 7.35 pm
Ramachari 2.0 (K)	:	3.45 pm
Veeram (K)	:	4.15 pm, 10.00 pm
Viduthalai Part - 1 (Ta)	:	7.10 pm
Nam Naani Maduve Prasanga (K)	:	7.20 pm

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Praveena (K)	:	10.00 am
Super Mario Bros. Movie (E-3D)	:	10.05 am, 12.30 pm, 2.45 pm 5.00 pm, 7.15 pm
The Pope's Exorcist (E)	:	10.40 am, 9.30 pm
Veeram (K)	:	11.00 am, 5.55 pm
Ravanasura (Te)	:	12.55 pm, 3.55 pm 7.10 pm, 10.10 pm
Gurudev Hoysala (K)	:	1.05 pm, 7.00 pm, 10:00 pm
Pentagon (K)	:	2.20 pm
Dasara (Te)	:	3.55 pm, 9.50 pm

EVENTS TODAY (APRIL 7)

- **Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samithi, Jayalakshmipuram:** Discourse on 'Padma Purana' by Pandit Aniruddhacharya Pandurangi, Sri Raghavendraswamy Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust:** 133rd anniversary of Sri Ramothsava celebrations, 'Sangeethotsava-2023,' discourse on 'Ramayana' by K. Ramachandra, retd. Engineer, Rama Mandira, **5 pm to 6 pm;** Vocal Duet by Vid. Prasanna Venkatraman and Vid. Rithvik Raja, accompanied by Vid. H.N. Bhaskar on violin, Vid. Delhi Sairam on mridanga and Vid. B. Rajashekar on morching, Alamma's Choultry, near Moole Rama Mandira, Srirampet, **6.30 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Ganavisharadha Shri Bidaram Krishnappa's Sri Prasanna Seetharama Mandira:** 107th Ramanavami Annual Heritage Music Festival, Karnatak vocal concert by Vidu. Manasi Prasad, accompanied by Vidu. Aditi Krishnaprakash on violin, Vid. G.S. Ramanujam on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on ghata, Mandira premises, Devaraja Mohalla, **6.15 pm.**
- **Sri Rama Seva Mandali:** 70th Ramotsava, devaranama by Vidu. Shubha Raghavendra, Mysuru & troupe, Sri Avani Shankara Mutt, 4th Main Road, Vidyaranyapuram, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (APRIL 8)

- **Railway Pensioners Welfare Association, Mysuru:** Monthly meeting, Association President Parthasarthy presides, A. Manuel Hall, Seshadri Iyer Road, **10.30 am.**
- **Yashaswini Mahila Jagruthi Parishat:** 85th birthday of littérateur Dr. C.P. Krishna Kumar (CPK), Karnataka Sahitya Academy ex-Chairman Dr. Aravinda Malagatti inaugurates, Centre of Excellence for Studies in Classical Kannada Project Director Dr. N.M. Talwar speaks on CPK, Ursu Mandali President H.M.T. Lingaraje Urs presides, Chutuku Yugacharya Dr. M.G.R. Urs launches the Parishat, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal, Mysuru Chamber of Commerce and Industry President K.B. Lingaraju, District Chutuku Sahitya Parishat President Dr. Ratna Halappagowda and Yashaswini Mahila Samaja President Mamatha Sridhar chief guests, Institution of Engineers, JLB Road, **10.30 am.**
- **Mysore Art Gallery:** 'Sadhakarondige Samvada-78,' Founders of Akshaya Ahara Foundation Dr. H.R. Rajendra and M.K. Shwetha couple, Psychiatrist Dr. Suman N. Murthy chief guest, Gallery Founder-President L. Shivalingappa presides, CFTRI Scientist R.K. Subramanyam special invitee, Mysuru City Women Police Association President Malini R. Palaksha and Sarada Vilas Teachers College retired Principal Dr. P.S. Suresh will be present, Gallery premises, Ramanuja Road, **11 am.**
- **Moonlight Music Academy:** Ganotsava-2023 - A musical evening in aid of People For Animals (PFA), ACP M. Shivakumar inaugurates, Jaganmohan Palace, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samithi:** Discourse on 'Padma Purana' by Pandit Aniruddhacharya Pandurangi, Raghavendraswamy Mutt, Jayalakshmipuram, **5pm.**
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sageetha Sabha:** T.V. Alamelu Birthday Remembrance Concert (sponsored by Dr. Meera Nathan), vocal recital by Vid. Mysore N. Srinath, Vidu. Veena Suresh on violin, Vid. Sai Shiva Lakshmi Keshava on mridanga and R. Srinidhi Koundinya on ghata, Nadabrahma Sageetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
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- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Vipranandaji speaks on 'The essence of the Upanishads,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
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- **Sri Rama Seva Mandali:** 70th Ramotsava, instrumental music ensemble — Raghavendra Sringeri, Bengaluru - flute, Nagapoojita, Bengaluru - flute, K.V. Shreyas, Bengaluru - flute, Srivatsa Kashyap, Bengaluru - mandolin, G.V. Sriharsha, Bengaluru - violin, Aniruddha Vasudev, Bengaluru - mridanga, Nataraj Sringeri, Bengaluru - ghata, Sri Avani Shankara Mutt, Vidyaranyapuram, **6.30 pm.**
- **Natana:** Staging of Anton Chekhov's play 'Cherry Thota' under the direction of NDS graduate Yashaswini Rao, translation by Venkatesh Prasad and design by Arun Murthy, Natana premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**

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Gurudev Hoysala (K)	(S-1)	1.35 pm, 7.15 pm
	(S-4)	10.15 am, 10.30 pm
Veeram (K)	(S-2)	2.00 pm, 10.20 pm
	(S-3)	3.10 pm
John Wick: Chapter 4 (E)	(S-2)	10.35 am; (S-3) 6.25 pm
Super Mario Bros. Movie (E-3D)	(S-4)	1 pm, 6.10 pm, 8.20 pm
Ravanasura (Te)	(S-1)	10.40 am, 4.20 pm, 10 pm
Gumraah (H)	(S-3)	10.05 am, 9.50 pm
	(S-2)	5.15 pm
The Popes Exorcist (E)	(S-2)	8 pm; (S-3) 12.50 pm
August 16, 1947 (Ta)	(S-4)	3.10 pm

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Gurudev Hoysala (K)	(S-1)	10.20 am; (S-4) 1.45 pm
	(S-3)	4.20 pm, 9.50 pm
The Popes Exorcist (E)	(S-2)	10.25 am
	(S-4)	4.30 pm, 10.20 pm
Dasara (Te)	(S-2)	10.00 pm
Veeram (K)	(S-3)	10.10 am
	(S-1)	1.05 pm, 7.15 pm
Ravanasura (Te)	(S-3)	1.25 pm
	(S-1)	4.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Super Mario bros. Movie (E-3D)	(S-2)	12.45 pm, 5.40 pm, 7.50 pm
Ramachari 2.0 (K)	(S-2)	2.55 pm
Pentagon (K)	(S-4)	6.50 pm
Nam Naani Maduve Prasanga (K)	(S-3)	7.05 pm
Praveena (K)	(S-4)	11.10 am

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

IPL 2023

TODAY'S MATCH (APRIL 7)

LSG Vs SRH — 7.30 pm
Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ekana Cricket Stadium, Lucknow

TOMORROW'S MATCHES (APRIL 8)

RR Vs DC — 3.30 pm
Assam Cricket Association Stadium, Guwahati

MI Vs CSK — 7.30 pm
Wankhede Stadium, Mumbai

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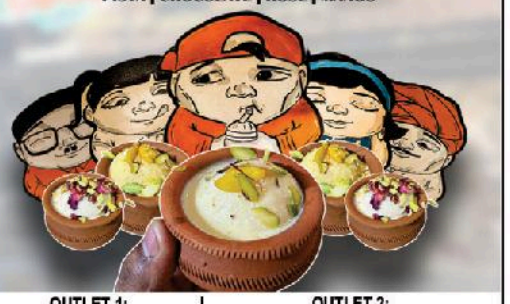
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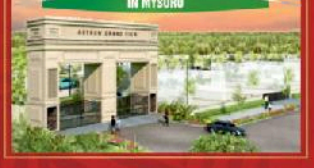
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